

REMARKS

Entry of the present amendment to the claims is respectfully requested prior to an examination by the Examiner.

Upon entry of the above amendment, the listing of claims will have been corrected. In particular, the listing of claims provided herewith includes a clean copy of the newly presented claims 15-34. Other than the deletion of the strike-throughs and underlining, no other changes to the claims have been made. This listing of claims corrects the listing of claims included in the Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, which included a marked-up copy of the claims.

Only the corrected section of the Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted herewith. However, should the Examiner wish that a full copy of the previously filed amendment be supplied, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

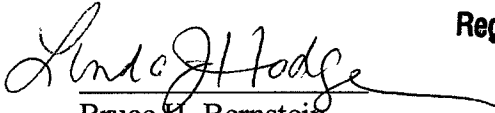
Accordingly, claims 15-34 are currently pending. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejection and allowance of claims 15-34 in the present application. Such action is respectfully requested and is now believed to be appropriate and proper.

Accordingly, in view of the above noted amendments and remarks, it is believed that the present submission is proper and Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and an early indication of the allowance of claims 15-34.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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